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 Yimin Qin et al.) Before the Examiner
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 WOUND DRESSING) August 21, 1997

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the
 above-identified patent application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-18.

Please add the following new claims:

- 19. A wound dressing comprises in combination
- (i) a first wound contact layer which preferably has a positive effect on the healing of the wound,
 - (ii) a second layer of greater hydrophilicity than the first layer, and
 - (iii) a breathable film having an increased MVTR capability in the presence of liquid water as compared to moisture vapour alone.

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